



FINGERTIP FACTS & FIGURES

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CURRENT MONTHLY DOMESTIC PRODUCTION AND TRADE STATISTICS

ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY REGIONS

	February, 1980			February 29, 1980	
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks
	(Million Board Feet)				
SOFTWOOD LUMBER:					
Southern Pine Region	599	605	544	536	1,208
Douglas Fir Region	710	695	589	558	914
Western Pine Region	670	657	586	442	1,286
California Redwood Region	148	147	145	155	428
Other Softwoods	136	134	119	248	262
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	2,263	2,238	1,983	1,939	4,098
% Change -Jan., 1980	+ 4.3	+ 4.6	-20.7	-11.6	+ 0.6
% Change -Feb., 1979	- 2.5	+ 1.3	-15.3	-19.0	- 1.6
HARDWOOD LUMBER:					
Southern Hardwood Region	294	278	280	255	597
Appalachian Hardwood Region	86	77	79	*	*
Other Hardwoods	212	198	200	121	679
TOTAL HARDWOODS	592	553	559	376	1,276
% Change -Jan., 1980	-10.6	- 7.2	- 4.8	+ 1.6	+ 3.2
% Change -Feb., 1979	+ 4.0	+ 0.4	+ 1.6	-31.9	+54.1
TOTAL LUMBER	2,855	2,791	2,542	2,315	5,374
% Change -Jan., 1980	+ 0.8	+ 2.0	-17.7	- 9.7	+ 1.2
% Change -Feb., 1979	- 1.2	+ 1.1	-12.0	-21.4	+ 7.7
* Included in Other Hardwoods					
FLOORING:					
	(Thousand Board Feet)				
Oak Flooring Region	**	6,642	**	4,137	7,617
Maple Flooring Region		Not Available at this time			
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD:					
	(Thousand Square Feet 3/8" Basis)				
Total All Regions	1,492,498	1,477,716	1,284,116	785,737	285,744
% Change -Jan., 1980	- 4.6	- 1.5	-21.7	-19.8	- 7.6
% Change -Feb., 1979	- 6.2	- 1.9	-20.9	-32.6	-32.2

** Data will no longer be available as of 1/1/80

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

PRODUCTION

	Percent Change From		
	Feb. '80	Jan. '80	Feb. '79
	(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine Reg	7,527	- 5.9	- 6.7
Douglas Fir Reg	8,580	+ 4.9	+ 6.3
Western Pine Reg.	8,768	- 2.5	- 8.3
Calif. Redwood Reg.	1,771	+ 3.7	+ 5.0
Other Softwoods	1,749	+ 2.2	- 2.2
Total Softwoods	28,395	- 0.7	- 2.7
Total Hardwoods	7,606	-13.5	+ 4.0
TOTAL LUMBER.	36,001	- 3.7	- 1.3

SHIPMENTS

	Percent Change From		
	Feb. '80	Jan. '80	Feb. '79
	(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine Reg	7,665	+ 0.2	- 2.7
Douglas Fir Reg	8,816	+ 8.9	+10.5
Western Pine Reg.	8,432	-13.6	- 6.0
Calif. Redwood Reg.	1,769	- 5.2	+14.8
Other Softwoods	1,720	- 3.2	+ 1.5
Total Softwoods	28,403	- 2.5	+ 1.2
Total Hardwoods	6,656	- 8.4	+ 0.4
TOTAL LUMBER.	35,059	- 3.7	+ 1.0

YEAR-TO-DATE DOMESTIC LUMBER PRODUCTION AND TRADE STATISTICS

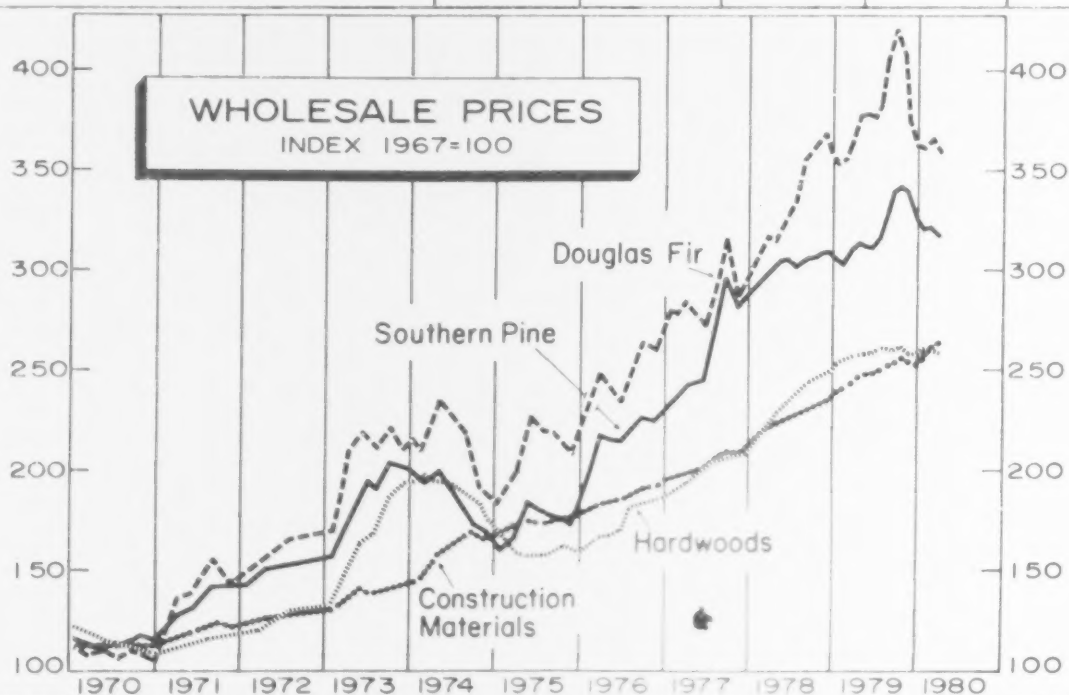
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received
	(Million Board Feet)		
Total Lumber - 2 mos. '80	5,687	5,527	5,629
Total Lumber - 2 mos. '79	5,782	5,585	5,952
% Change.	- 1.6	- 1.0	- 5.4
Softwood Lumber - 2 mos. '80	4,433	4,378	4,483
Softwood Lumber - 2 mos. '79	4,631	4,466	4,849
% Change.	- 4.3	- 2.0	- 7.5
Hardwood Lumber - 2 mos. '80	1,254	1,149	1,146
Hardwood Lumber - 2 mos. '79	1,151	1,119	1,103
% Change.	+ 8.9	+ 2.7	+ 3.9

FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICS

	Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	Feb. '80	Jan. '80	Feb. '79	2 mos. '80	2 mos. '79
	(Million Board Feet)				
TOTAL U.S. LUMBER IMPORTS					
Softwoods					
From Canada					
Other Sources					
Hardwoods					
From Canada					
Other Sources					
Other (not specified)					
TOTAL U.S. LUMBER EXPORTS	180.1	+ 6.3	+ 2.3	349.5	+ 11.1
Softwoods	137.8	+ 2.5	- 8.8	272.2	+ 2.8
Hardwoods	34.7	+28.0	+ 52.2	61.9	+ 37.6
Other (not specified)	8.9	+14.1	+304.5	16.8	+257.4
TOTAL EXPORTS TO CANADA	62.4	+30.3	+ 39.0	110.3	+ 20.4

CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING STATISTICS

	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	% Change From		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	Feb. '80	Jan. '80	Feb. '79	2 mos. '80	2 mos. '79
Value of all NEW CONSTRUCTION					
		(Millions of Dollars)			
Put in Place	15,492	- 6.0	+15.3	31,966	+16.5
Private	12,256	- 5.6	+12.3	25,237	+14.2
Residential	5,961	- 9.3	+ 1.6	12,533	+ 4.7
Nonresidential & Other	6,295	- 1.8	+24.7	12,704	+25.3
Public	3,236	- 7.4	+28.3	6,729	+26.0
	Mar. '80	Feb. '80	Mar. '79	3 mos. '80	3 mos. '79
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED					
		(Thousands of Units)			
Total Private & Public Starts	86.4	+ 6.7	-43.6	240.8	-26.2
New Private Starts	85.4	+ 6.4	-44.1	238.8	-26.7
Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rates	1,041	-21.8	-42.2		
One-Family Housing Starts	51.2	+ 1.8	-53.4	150.8	-33.5
(Proportion of Total Starts)	59.3			62.6	
	Feb. '80	Jan. '80	Feb. '79	2 mos. '80	2 mos. '79
BUILDING PERMITS AUTHORIZED					
		(Millions of Dollars)			
All Private Construction	6,514	+ 5.4	+16.3	12,695	+ 9.2
New Housing Units	2,868	+ 5.0	- 3.3	5,600	- 5.1
New Nonresidential	2,324	+ 4.9	+17.4	4,539	+ 3.6
Additions and alterations	1,235	+ 8.9	+106.9	2,369	+94.5
		(Number of Units)			
Shipments of MOBILE HOMES	18,800	+ 3.9	+ 0.5	36,900	- 2.6



ECONOMIC INDICATORS

<u>U. S. LUMBER CONSUMPTION</u>	CURRENT			YEAR - TO - DATE	
	Latest Period Available	% Change From		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	QIV '79	QIII '79	QIV '78	12 mos. '79	12 mos. '78
		(Million Board Feet)			
Total	10,627	-12.5	-10.8	45,937	- 4.8
Softwoods	8,981	-13.4	-11.6	39,009	- 5.9
Hardwoods	1,646	- 7.1	- 6.1	6,928	+ 1.9

Total <u>EMPLOYMENT</u> - (Seasonally Adjusted)	% Change From		
	Mar. '80	Feb. '80	Mar. '79
	(Thousands of Employees)		
All Industries.	90,634	- 0.2	+ 1.8
All Manufacturing Industries.	20,848	- 0.2	- 1.1
Lumber and Wood Products.	724	- 1.6	- 5.9
Furniture and Fixtures.	482	+ 0.2	- 2.2

<u>WHOLESALE PRICES</u>	% Change From		
	Mar. '80	Feb. '80	Mar. '79
	(Index - 1967 = 100)		
All Commodities	261.5	+ 0.7	+15.5
All Construction Materials.	264.6	+ 0.9	+ 7.3
Lumber and Wood Products.	295.7	+ 0.3	- 1.2
All Lumber.	340.6	- 0.3	- 2.7
Softwood Lumber	362.4	- 0.2	- 3.3
Douglas Fir Lumber.	358.8	- 2.3	- 3.3
Southern Pine Lumber.	317.2	- 1.6	+ 1.2
Other Softwood Lumber	380.7	+ 1.5	- 5.4
Hardwood Lumber	258.6	- 0.5	0.0
Millwork.	264.7	+ 2.6	+ 4.0
Softwood Plywood.	294.3	- 2.2	-13.8
Hardwood Plywood.	176.8	+ 1.1	+10.4
Wood Household Furniture.	213.6	+ 0.2	+11.6
Pulp, Paper and Allied Products	241.6	+ 1.1	+14.1
Steel Mill Products	295.6	+ 0.5	+ 8.5
Aluminum Shapes	260.1	+ 1.2	+ 8.1
Concrete Products	268.6	+ 0.9	+13.0
Structural Clay Products.	231.5	+ 0.2	+ 8.8

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